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APPLICATION OF

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TITLE: POWDERED THICKENER
PREPARATIONS BASED ON POLY-
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THICKENING AQUEOUS SYSTEMS

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In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2004 in the above identified application, it is respectfully requested that the presently claimed invention be reconsidered in view of the following amendments and remarks. A separate Petition for an Extension of Time is being submitted herewith.

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